

care for matters of practical detail is also a feature of Chinese funerals : when the dead as often happens are not buried for some time and their coffins are deposited in vaults round a garden of the dead " each vault is furnished for the soul's enjoyment: and, when the relatives periodically assemble to do honour to the dead, a chair is left vacant for the soul's accommodation. Similar memorial services, marked by such concrete acknowledgments of the soul's existence as the offering of food, bound families together in Rome. in Greece, and in India, and made a deep impression upon the national laws.

II. *Errors of inference.*—We are instinctively impelled to link together happenings which follow one another in sequence. This is the basis of the process of inference upon which we depend every moment for the guidance of our behaviour. If one wasp stings us we avoid another. The connection of two events in sequence, seen in the light of consciousness, appears to be that of happening and consequence—of cause and effect—and we conceive of causing and being caused as inseparable properties of happenings. just as we conceive of colour and of number as essential properties of all things. Accordingly we link every happening backwards and forwards—as being caused by another happening, or as causing another happening—and we

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concerted if a cause is not evident for
every
occurrence. Observation is an
imperfect guide
where knowledge is elementary. In
simple
matters it may guide us correctly
enough. One
who touches fire is burned : the burn is
justly
attributed to the fire. But the vast
majority
of life's experiences are not simple
:
are preceded by a number of
happenings, any